



REGIONAL CONTINUUM OF CARE COUNCIL
Tuesday, May 29, 2012
MINUTES

- **CALL TO ORDER & ATTENDANCE ROLL** at 10:03 AM, see sign-in sheet for attendance. RCCC members agreed to adjust the agenda to move approval of minutes after the guest presentation.
- **INTRODUCTION of SPECIAL GUESTS:**
 - Nick Macchione, Director/General Manager of Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA)
 - Ken Worthington, Deputy Chief Probation Officer
 - Dale Fleming, Director/Strategic Planning and Operational Support Division of HHSA.
 - Susan Bower, Director/ Alcohol & Drug Services Division of HHSA
 - David Estrella, Director/ Housing and Community Development Division of Community Services Group (CSG)
- **PRESENTATION: AB109 Re- Entry**
 - Director Nick Macchione and Deputy Chief Ken Worthington presented information about the local AB109 Re-entry process via powerpoint and handouts. The approach to AB109 is using a housing first, health-home model. An estimated 19% of the clients were assessed as homeless (had no known address.) Preliminary data shows that clients who are non-violent, non-serious, non-sex offenders (like those in AB109) who participate in treatment, employment and housing are successful in reintegration. A Community Transition Center to receive reentry clients and work to assess and connect them to appropriate supports is being developed. Organizations interested in participating should register in the Community Resource Directory. In summary: There is substantial effort invested in responding to AB109 through the realignment of probation and parole services. Individuals previously served by the state must now be served at the local level. The Community Corrections Partnership Board is comprised of a diverse group of decision-makers who are invested in developing strategies, systems, and resources to address the need. Successful reintegration of persons released from state correctional institutions can be enhanced through community collaboration across multiple sectors. Refer to the handout for more information.
 - It was noted that Natalie Pearl presented information on the Community Resource Directory to the RCCC in January. Agencies that are registered will be positioned to take advantage of the HEARTH 25% in-kind match rule when it is implemented.

During the presentation and question and answer session, an open invitation to attend the RCCC was extended to all guests. It was suggested that Chief Probation Officer Mack Jenkins and Director Macchione participate in discussion with the RCCC regarding the housing needs of AB109 clients.

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Dale Fleming noted that there is a Restaurant Meals component of the Cal Fresh program for seniors and homeless. Cal Fresh recipients who are seniors or homeless can use their benefits card at participating restaurants.

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES April and May minutes approved by consensus.
- STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT & ACTION ITEMS
 - *(Action)* State ESG Applications – Review and Ranking: RCCC members approved the Rating and Review Committee to implement a CA-ESG application review process as developed by the Steering Committee and authorized the Facilitator to sign the required Certificate of Need (Attachment D) in accordance with the results of the rating and review. The state requires non-duplicated ranking of applications. Applications, including approved certificates must be received by CA HCD no later than 5:00 PM on June 18th.
 - *(Action)* RCCC members endorsed the Steering Committee action to provide a letter of support for the UCSD Smoking Cessation Project for Homeless Programs Grant Application to the National Cancer Institute. Dr. Maya Vijayaraghavan is leading this effort. If funded, agencies and clients will be encouraged to participate in the project. Proposal details are available upon request.
 - HUD CoC Activities
 - HDX Submittal: The Housing Inventory, Occupancy, and Point In time data were submitted by the April 30th due date. The Steering Committee plans to hold a debrief of the 2012 process in June.
 - 2011 Debrief: A handout summarizes the results of scoring for the 2011 HUD CoC Competition was distributed. Congratulations to the region – our first merged application resulted in full funding for projects submitted. The San Diego regional application received the highest score among the Southern California Regional Roundtable applicants. On average, scores for CoCs across the nation were lower than the prior year but our application remained steady.
 - ALERT: Update of Homeless Definition: An alert was issued to programs that serve families and youth. The alert provides an update the HUD change in implementing the new homeless definitions (effective Jan. 4, 2012). The new definition and the 2011 program Regulations issued in the NOFA appear inconsistent. Programs are urged to read the alert carefully and be aware that households who are homeless under Category 3 of the January definitions may not be eligible for services under the HUD - CoC grants. A request for clarification has been submitted to HUD.
 - As a result of the May 7th and 8th “Bootcamp” a Rapid Results campaign to permanently house 75 homeless veterans in 100 days kicked off on May 9th. This 100-Day campaign brings together The County Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), the San Diego Housing Commission (SDHC), Veterans Administration (VA), U.S. Department of Housing and Urban

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Development (HUD), the Interagency Council on Homelessness, RCCC members, the United Way, and other stakeholders like the Downtown Partnership Leadership group in a joint effort to streamline access to permanent housing using HUD VASH vouchers and local resources. In addition to the organizations mentioned above, RCCC member agencies that have joined in the effort include: Community Catalyst- SSVF, El Cajon Transitional Living Center, Interfaith Community Services, St. Vincent de Paul, Volunteers of America, Center for Justice and Social Compassion, and student volunteers from USD. Myrna Pascual at HUD-SD is the local leader and will provide regular updates. Other organizations are encouraged to join in.

- Community Corrections and Re Entry – Presentation to Re Entry Roundtable June 19th: In response to a community request from Seth Johnson in the District Attorney's office, a brief presentation describing public housing and homeless programs will be given at the June 19th Re-Entry Roundtable meeting. This presentation will be excerpts from the material that RCCC previously endorsed.
- A handout of announcement and notes from the Steering Committee also included information on the Veteran Homeless Prevention Project Evaluation – Urban Institute (notice); the Community Information Exchange (CIE), Health Information Exchange; and the Knowledge Integration Project (KIP) and AB109.
- SUBCOMMITTEE and LIAISON REPORTS
 - Action Team Updates - Team Leaders
Housing and Services team – Dave Siegler, Rosemary Johnston: The Housing and Services CoC Action team met, All CoC Action team participants were advised of the importance of this work. All RCCC members were reminded that they voted to implement the participation and attendance rules at the subgroup level in addition to the full body. The next meeting of the Housing and Services Action team is scheduled for 9:00 AM on May 26th at the YMCA facility 3708 Ruffin Rd (nearby) preceding the full meeting..
 - Legislative Liaisons – Rosemary Johnston being distributed electronically. The Governor's proposed budget seriously impacts CalWorks, Childcare and affordable housing. Note that the RCCC continues to advocate with San Diego City Council for funding for the winter shelter and Day Centers.
 - Strategic Planning Reports
 - Alliance for Regional Solutions is in the midst of a major strategic planning process with about 30-40 in attendance. ARS is collaboratively looking at the needs of north county, including the food security needs of households.
 - Keys to Housing – Laurin Pause – KtH is moving ahead to complete Phase I of the KtH plan.
 - Due to time. other reports and Announcements were deferred to electronic distribution.

ADJOURNED 11:40 PM

Next Meeting JUNE 26th 10:00 AM; 9388 Lightwave Ave, San Diego